

RAILROAD RETIREMENT (MARCH 2006)

<i>(fiscal year)</i>	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES											
Railroad Retirement System	585,300	573,600	563,500	555,000	547,900	541,700	536,300	531,600	527,300	523,000	518,700
TOTAL BENEFIT OUTLAYS (in \$millions)											
TIER I: Social Security Equivalent Benefit	5,592	5,720	5,845	5,957	6,113	6,271	6,444	6,637	6,832	7,040	7,252
TIER II: Railroad Retirement Investment Trust	3,868	4,054	4,239	4,418	4,588	4,765	4,940	5,117	5,287	5,445	5,590
Windfall Benefits: Dual Benefits	97	88	78	70	62	54	48	41	36	31	26
Total	9,557	9,862	10,162	10,445	10,764	11,090	11,432	11,795	12,154	12,516	12,868

NOTES:

1. Total benefit outlays include benefit payments and interest on refunds of taxes.
2. Tier I benefits receive a full COLA, which is based on the CPI. Tier II benefits increase by 32.5% of the Tier I COLA amount.
3. Dual benefits are partially funded via income taxes. The portion not funded by income taxes is classified as discretionary spending.

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